

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A recording and reproducing system comprising:

a record medium holding (1) a plurality of data files of storing predetermined data, (2) a plurality of play list files of storing a play list describing a reproduction order of the plurality of data files, and (3) a play list file menu file of storing a play list file menu which is information about a hierarchical structure by which the play list files are accessible;

play list file menu storing means of storing the play list file menu in the play list file menu file;

play list file menu display means of displaying to the outside play list file menu information on all or a part of the stored play list file menu;

play list file selecting means of selecting a predetermined play list file according to an instruction from the outside; and

data reproducing means of reproducing the predetermined data stored by the plurality of data files respectively by using the reproduction order based on the selected play list file.

2. (Previously Presented) The recording and reproducing system according to claim 1, wherein the play list file menu display means is configured to display the play list file menu information in consideration of a type of the predetermined data reproducible by the data reproducing means.

3. (Previously Presented) The recording and reproducing system according to claim 1, wherein the play list file menu display means is configured to display the play list file menu information by displaying at least one thumbnail image corresponding to at least one respective play list file, the displayed at least one thumbnail image changing according to a state in which the play list file selecting means selects the predetermined play list file.

4. (Previously Presented) The recording and reproducing system according to claim 1, wherein the play list file menu display means is configured to display the play list file menu information by using predetermined text data on all or a part of the play list.

5. (Previously Presented) A recording apparatus comprising:

play list file menu storing means of storing, in a play list file menu file, a play list file menu which is information about a hierarchical structure by which a plurality of play list files of storing a play list describing a reproduction order of a plurality of data files of storing predetermined data are accessible, wherein:

a record medium holds (1) the plurality of data files, (2) the plurality of play list files, and (3) the play list file menu file.

6. (Currently Amended) The recording apparatus according to claim 5, wherein +wherein:

the play list file menu information on all or a part of the stored play list file menu is displayed to the outside,

a predetermined play list file is selected according to an instruction from the outside, and

the predetermined data stored by the plurality of data files respectively is reproduced by using the reproduction order based on the selected play list file.

7. (Previously Presented) A reproducing apparatus comprising:

play list file menu display means of displaying to the outside play list file menu information on all or a part of a play list file menu which is information about a hierarchical structure by which a plurality of play list files of storing a play list describing a reproduction order of a plurality of data files of storing predetermined data are accessible;

play list file selecting means of selecting a predetermined play list file according to an instruction from the outside; and

data reproducing means of reproducing the predetermined data stored by the plurality of data files respectively by using the reproduction order based on the selected play list file, wherein:

a record medium holds (1) the plurality of data files, (2) the plurality of play list files, and (3) a play list file menu file of storing the play list file menu.

8. (Previously Presented) A record medium holding (1) a plurality of data files of storing predetermined data, (2) a plurality of play list files of storing a play list describing a reproduction order of the plurality of data files, and (3) a play list file menu file of storing a play list file menu which is information about a hierarchical structure by which the play list files are accessible.

9. (Previously Presented) The record medium according to claim 8, wherein:

the play list file menu information on all or a part of the stored play list file menu is displayed to the outside,

a predetermined play list file is selected according to an instruction from the outside, and

the predetermined data stored by the plurality of data files respectively is reproduced by using the reproduction order based on the selected play list file.

10. (Previously Presented) A recording and reproducing method comprising:

a play list file menu storing step of storing, in a play list file menu file, a play list file menu which is information about a hierarchical structure by which a plurality of play list files of storing a play list describing a reproduction order of a plurality of data files of storing predetermined data are accessible;

a play list file menu display step of displaying to the outside play list file menu information on all or a part of the stored play list file menu;

a play list file selecting step of selecting a predetermined play list file according to an instruction from the outside; and

a data reproducing step of reproducing the predetermined data stored by the plurality of data files respectively by using the reproduction order based on the selected play list file, wherein:

a record medium holds (1) the plurality of data files, (2) the plurality of play list files, and (3) the play list file menu file.

11. (Previously Presented) A recording method comprising a play list file menu storing step of storing, in a play list file menu file, a play list file menu which is information about a hierarchical structure by which a plurality of play list files of storing a play list describing a reproduction order of a plurality of data files of storing predetermined data are accessible, wherein:

a record medium holds (1) the plurality of data files, (2) the plurality of play list files, and (3) the play list file menu file.

12. (Previously Presented) A reproducing method comprising:

a play list file menu display step of displaying to the outside play list file menu information on all or a part of a play list file menu which is information about a hierarchical structure by which a plurality of play list files of storing a play list describing a reproduction order of a plurality of data files of storing predetermined data are accessible;

a play list file selecting step of selecting a predetermined play list file according to an instruction from the outside; and

a data reproducing step of reproducing the predetermined data stored by the plurality of data files respectively by using the reproduction order based on the selected play list file, wherein:

a record medium holds (1) the plurality of data files, (2) the plurality of play list files, and (3) a play list file menu file of storing the play list file menu.

13. (Previously Presented) A tangible computer readable medium including a program that is adapted to control a computer to implement the method of claim 10.

14. (Previously Presented) A tangible computer readable medium including a program that is adapted to control a computer to implement the method of claim 11.

15. (Previously Presented) A tangible computer readable medium including a program that is adapted to control a computer to implement the method of claim 12.

16.-18. (Cancelled).